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EA PERSONAL FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE FROM
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TAGS: OVIP, TH
SUBJ: YOUR TRIP TO SOUTHEAST ASIA

1. I HAVE GIVEN MUCH THOUGHT TO YOUR VISIT HERE AND HAVE
CAREFULLY CONSTRUCTED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED SCHEDULE:

OCT. 23 - ARRIVE BANGKOK

OCT. 24 - ATTEND SECOND DAY OF US ASEAN AMBASSADORS
- MEETING

- - MY DINNER IN YOUR HONOR

OCT. 25 - CALLS ON KRIANGSAK AND UPPADIT AND LUNCHEON
- SPEECH AT FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS CLUB

OCT. 25(NIGHT)
OCT. 27 - PATTAYA MEETING

OCT. 28 - ATTACHE PLANE PICKS YOU UP IN UTAPAO AND
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- FLIES US TO CHIANG MAI. TOUR HILL TRIBE
- AREAS, CROP SUBSTITUTION PROJECTS

OCT. 29 - DEPART CHIANG MAI FOR UDORN. VISIT NONG
- KHAI REFUGEE CAMP (45 MINS. BY CAR)

OCT. 29 - (THE LAO PERMITTING USE OF ATTACHE PLANE)

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- RETURN TO UDORN AND FLY TO VIENTIANE,
- DEPARTING MID-AFTERNOON.
OCT. 30
OR 31 - RETURN TO BANGKOK, DEPENDING UPON WHAT
- THE LAO PERMIT

OCT. 31 OR
NOV. 1 - ATTACHE FLIGHT TO RANGOON. RETURN THAT
- EVENING OR NEXT MORNING.

2. THIS IS A VERY COMPACT SCHEDULE. IT SHORTENS THE TIME YOU SPEND AT PATTAYA AND PERMITS YOU TO DO ALL THE THINGS -- ADMITTEDLY A BIT BRIEF -- THAT YOU INDICATED THAT YOU WANTED TO DO. USE OF ATTACHE PLANE TO VIENTIANE WILL, OF COURSE, DEPEND UPON LAO AND I ASSUME YOU WILL INSTRUCT EMBASSY VIENTIANE TO CHECK THAT OUT. WILL TRY TO HAVE ATTACHE PLANE AVAILABLE ALSO FOR FLIGHT TO BURMA.

3. I AM MAKING MY FIRST SPEECH HERE IN EARLY OCTOBER ON US-THAI RELATIONS. I WOULD BE VERY PLEASED IF YOU DID GIVE A SPEECH HERE, BUT I PREFER, AND THINK IT MORE APPROPRIATE, THAT YOU DEAL WITH US POLICY IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, ASEAN, INDOCHINA AND OBVIOUSLY INCLUDE SOME COMMENTS ON THAILAND. IS THIS SATISFACTORY TO YOU? YOU WOULD ALSO BE EXPECTED TO TAKE QUESTIONS.
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4. I NEED AN EARLY RESPONSE TO THIS ON TIMING IF NOT ON EXACT ITINERARY SO THAT I CAN MAKE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS, PARTICULARLY NAILING DOWN MEETING OF US ASEAN AMBASSADORS.
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